

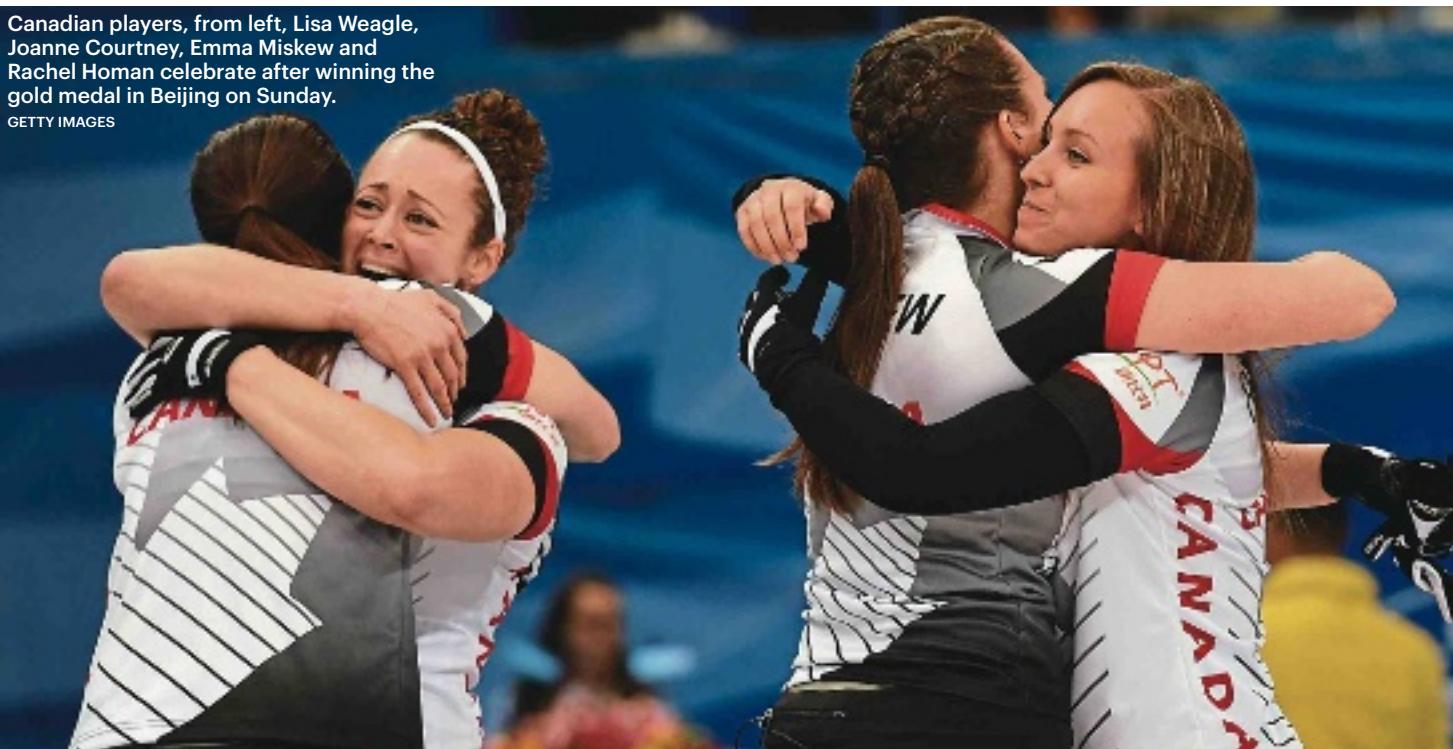
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Canadian players, from left, Lisa Weagle, Joanne Courtney, Emma Miskew and Rachel Homan celebrate after winning the gold medal in Beijing on Sunday.  
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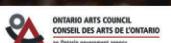
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## COFFEE

# The Royal Treatment

All hail, the Queen of Coffee

By: Sean Deasy



Coffee Fermentation In Nicaragua

From the northern reaches of Nicaragua in the mountainous region of San Juan del Rio Coco, Madriz, comes a coffee with a majestic taste and an equally royal handle. It's called Reyna del Cafe, or "Queen of Coffee" in English.

And, for roaster Eric Shabsove from Mountain View Coffee in Toronto, it has an undeniably regal presence.

"Reyna del Cafe has an exciting caramel-y, buttery smell to it," says Shabsove, who has curated the entire Headline Coffee collection. "As for taste, it has such a clean, citrus acidity with subtle butterscotch notes, and a silky smooth body. But, above

all, I believe the acidity is actually perfect on this one."

As always, getting such a flavourful bean is all about location, location, location. Shabsove counts the densely tropical forests of northern Nicaragua, where the Reyna del Cafe co-op is situated, among his favorite coffee-growing regions. "The reason I like this area is quite simple: it's got a very unique microclimate up there."

It's effectively an area that's tailor-made for growing coffee. The most impactful characteristics of that microclimate are its rich volcanic soil and getting just the right amount of rain during the summer

[hint: lots]. The high elevations and cool, dry weather in the autumn allow for the shade-grown beans to mature slowly, which in turn creates a complex flavour profile unlike any other in Nicaragua.

The timing of Reyna del Cafe's introduction to Headline Coffee members is no coincidence. In fact it couldn't be better: The beans, harvested between December and February, are released right about now.

### The proud growers

The Reyna del Cafe co-op is comprised of 128 members – both men and women – the majority of whom are small producers, working 3.5-hectare farms at most. Through the use of Fairtrade and Organic premiums Reyna del Cafe is able to provide workshops for their members, improve their milling services, and tap into new international markets. The co-op also has a robust sense of environmental stewardship; Madriz and the surrounding departments are recognized for having high bio-diversity and protected forests.

"Most of the farmers within the co-op are small scale producers, so these are very, very small farms. In fact there's no real large producers," says Shabsove. "These are farmers who take a great deal of pride in growing their crops, and a lot of care goes into what they're doing every single day."

Shabsove says the co-op's connection with Fairtrade has enabled the farmers to vastly improve their operations. "That

means developing sustainable practices, and discovering how to grow coffee better, working within their environment, helping them finance projects," he says. "Fairtrade is extremely important to co-ops in countries like Nicaragua, and even more so, as they are predominantly small farmers. Any form of assistance is greatly appreciated by them."

### Nicaragua: Sky's the limit

Nicaragua is now considered an emerging coffee-producing nation. It's already earned and attained a level of respect as a country that's becoming increasingly better at growing coffees. Not long ago the up-and-coming countries were the likes of Costa Rica and Honduras. "Now Nicaragua is really dedicating a lot of their time and effort to growing great coffee."

If there was a time when sampling Nicaraguan coffee didn't exactly elicit great excitement among the expert tasters, Shabsove says that's now a distant [and fading] memory. The emergence of quality beans like those from the little Reyna Del Cafe co-op is a perfectly tasteful example. "Nicaraguan was never quite as good as the Costa Ricans, the Guatemalans. But now it's a totally different story.

"What makes me excited about Nicaraguan is that year after year it gets better and better, and every time I drink more and more," says Shabsove. "So each year I'm excited to try the new crop to see how much better it gets."

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**ENVIRONMENT**

## Repair café extends life of old tools, gadgets

 **Haley Ritchie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Reuse, recycle and repair before you replace — that's the mission of the "repair café" coming to the Ottawa Tool Library in April.

"We want to extend the life of stuff, reducing waste but also bringing people together to share their skills and knowledge," said volunteer Emily Brown, who is organizing the fix-it social next month.

The tool library, located in Makerspace North inside the City Centre plaza, launched in 2014. Members pay a monthly fee and are able to borrow a variety of tools and kitchen gadgets for short-term use, from table saws to pasta making machines.

"We promote the sharing of tools and increasing access to tools," said Brown. "The repair café is extending that mission, helping people to learn skills and take advantage of fixing and making things yourself."

Members often borrow tools



Emily Brown is a volunteer at the Ottawa Tool Library, a non-profit that allows members to rent out tools. The library is holding a 'repair cafe' in April. **HALEY RITCHIE/METRO**

and take them home to fix things inside their homes. On April 8 they can do the opposite: the library will welcome members and the public to bring in items that need repair, from clothing that needs patching to computers and old furniture.

People knowledgeable about how to fix up different things will be on hand, volunteering their services and walking the owners through the steps. The library is accepting pay-what-you-can donations for the repairs.

The Ottawa non-profit isn't the first group to hold a Repair Café. The first took place in Amsterdam in 2009, and has spread across cities to encourage people to extend the lifespan of their things and avoid landfills.

In Ottawa the cafe will take place 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 8, alongside a "make-a-thon" where paying members will be working on their projects for the public to see.

Brown said the group is also looking for volunteers, whether they have repair skills or not.

**ROAD SAFETY**

## Most recent collision statistics were released in 2012

 **Ryan Tumilty**  
Metro | Ottawa

Though 20 new red-light cameras will be added to Ottawa's streets this year, it's been five years since the city took a detailed look at the effectiveness of the cameras already in place.

Currently, the city has 34 red-light cameras, which altogether issued a combined 17,870 tickets last year. But the city doesn't keep track of how many tickets are traceable to each camera.

In 2012, the city released collision data showing a 29 per cent drop over 10 years in right-angle collisions. Over the same period, the number of collisions overall dropped 12 per cent, but rear-end collisions jumped by 20 per cent.

Krista Tanaka, program manager of road safety and traffic investigations, said the city plans to release updated numbers later this year but that it's too labour-intensive to compile and release data every year.

"It's not just a matter of pulling the collision information out of the system," she said. "We



The city says it collects data over periods of three to 10 years to gather information about the long-term trends of incidents on the road. New data will be released this year. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

## 17,870

Number of tickets issued by the 34 red light cameras that are already installed.

have to look at every collision report to determine if red-light running was a factor. Someone

has to manually look through every report. That's why we don't update this on an annual basis."

Tanaka said red-light cameras are known to increase the incidence of rear-end collisions but that those crashes are less likely to be serious than right-angle collisions, which red-light cameras help prevent.

Tanaka said the city doesn't track tickets on an intersection-by-intersection basis because col-

lisions are deemed to be much more important.

"We don't use (tickets) as our measure of effectiveness for the cameras," he said.

She added they also don't collect collision data more often because they want a fuller picture of what is taking place.

"That is why we look at longer periods like three to 10-year ranges so we can smooth out the little blips from year to year."

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# Unions aghast Phoenix ignored in federal budget

## PAYROLL

**Public service called for \$75M to fix system, but zip set aside**

**Ryan Tumilty**  
Metro | Ottawa

Public service unions are disappointed that the federal government didn't earmark any money to fix the troubled Phoenix pay system in last week's budget.

Debi Daviau, president of the Professional Institute of the Public Service, said she wanted to see something in the budget that would show the government is committed to fixing the problem.

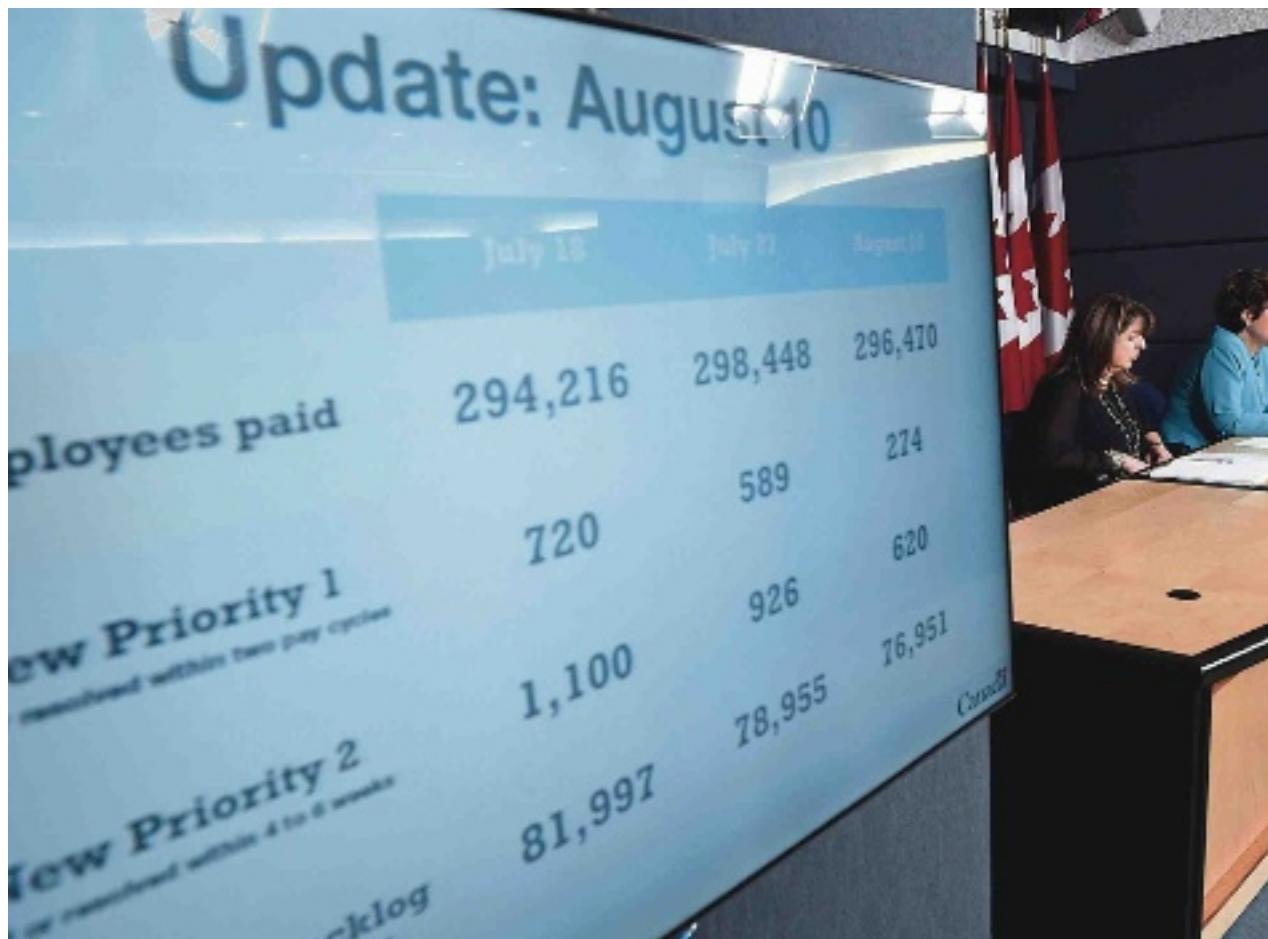
"We did expect to see some financial resources allocated to the ongoing fixing of the system and we expected those funds to be used for additional resources," he said.

"It's really disappointing to see no word whatsoever on how they intend to resource the ongoing fix to this problem."

Daviau said the government should have committed funding specifically to deal with the problem. Her organization and other unions called for the government to put \$75 million aside to deal with the problems.

"Our members, especially those who have been affected for a long time, feel really devalued and ignored by the way they have handled this in the budget," she said.

At a press conference earlier this month, Public Services and



Deputy Minister of Public Works and Government Services Marie Lemay (right) and associate assistant deputy minister Rosanna Di Paola address a press conference on the Phoenix problems last summer. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Procurement announced that it had finally reached the point where the number of problems that were being resolved was not being overrun by new cases

coming in.

The department said it expected waiting times for dealing with new problems to begin to drop soon as the

**Our members, especially those who have been affected for a long time, feel really devalued and ignored.** Debi Daviau

system gets up to speed.

Daviau said the union is hearing from members getting the system working properly will require investments in infrastructure technology and in more payroll advisers, and she wants to see the money for that.

"We believe firmly that additional resources in both these

areas and training is going to be key to the solution," she said.

She said despite the last update's upbeat tone, there are still major problems with Phoenix and she'd have liked the government to acknowledge that.

"I think they're downplaying just how bad it really is."

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## ECONOMY

## Local inflation rate ticks slightly upward

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Ottawa's inflation rose to 2% from 1.9% in January.  
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The annual pace of inflation in Canada ticked lower in February as higher prices for gasoline were offset in part by declining costs for fresh fruit and vegetables.

Statistics Canada said Friday the consumer price index rose 2.0 per cent on a year-over-year basis in February.

The move compared with a 2.1 per cent increase in January. Economists had expected it to rise 2.1 per cent in February as well.

In Ottawa, the inflation rate was two per cent, up from 1.9 per cent in January.

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## INNOVATION

## Tech group happy with investment

The 2017 federal budget's fresh approach to procurement has received a nod of approval from the Ottawa-based Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance.

Changes to government procurement were among the highlights of Wednesday's budget for local businesses, alongside cash for technology firms across the country.

CATA has been lobbying for a budget like this for many years as part of its "competitive innovation nation" campaign.

John Reid, CEO of CATA, says that while the announced programs and funding are a positive start, what's really exciting him is the attitude he's seeing from the government.

"We gave it two thumbs up, and that's not because there isn't more to be done and things to be changed, it's that it represented a pivot or change in mindset," he says.

"It's something we can build on instead of something to attack."

The focus on innovation that Mr. Reid sees in this budget makes him believe that the government is ready to adopt "21st-century procurement practices."

The budget allocates up to \$50 million for a new procurement program called Innovative Solutions Canada. According to the document, federal departments and agencies will allocate portions of funding towards early-stage research and prototypes.

The goal is to provide small businesses with a strong initial customer in the form of the federal government.

The federal government is the largest buyer of goods and services in Ottawa-Gatineau and spent some \$2.89 billion with local firms in 2015-16, according to the Ottawa Business Journal's Book of Lists.

While the procurement program is a strong start, as is the overall innovation messaging of the budget, Mr. Reid still sees work to be done.

He's already assembled a team to follow up on the development of the procurement program.

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Rachel Homan, Emma Miskew, Joanne Courtney, Lisa Weagle, Cheryl Kreviazuk and team members pose. ANDY WONG/AP

# Unbeatable Ottawans

## SPORTS

## Team Homan takes home championship hardware

**Haley Ritchie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Ottawa curlers were celebrating Sunday after four of their own took gold in the 2017 world championships.

The championship final took place across the world, in Beijing, a full 12-hour time difference for fans back in Ottawa who wanted to cheer on skip Rachel Homan and her rink, which is based out of the Ottawa Curling Club.

Andrew Denny, a staff member at the club, said the win had the members "buzzing" on Sunday morning and many patrons who were asleep at 3 a.m. during the big win were watching the game again.

"The membership is very pleased, everybody is happy," he said.

Denny said the world championships are seen as the big event leading up to the Olympics, so they're well watched by curling fans. With Team Homan heading back to Canada on Monday, Denny said he expects the club will organize some kind of event to welcome them back.

The team's early morning

match took place against Russia, and ended with a 8-3 win. The team was undefeated in the tournament and took the first women's world championship win in nine years.

Homan's team also cleaned up earlier this year at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts, and took the national prize in 2013 and 2014.

With a women's world championship gold under their belts, the members of Team Homan will be vying to represent Canada in the 2018 Olympics in South Korea.

Rachel Homan, vice-skip Emma Miskew, second Joanne Courtney and lead Lisa Weagle are familiar at the Ottawa Curling Club on O'Connor Street, which has a sign out front proclaiming "Home of Team Homan."

Sunday's four winners aren't the first champions to call the Ottawa rink home.

"It's good for the community and it's good for the girls, because they work hard constantly," said Denny. "They're a great rallying point, a good focal point for the community, and definitely inspiring to a lot of the newer and younger curlers and people who are just starting to adopt the game."



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Andrew Denny

## EDUCATION

## Carleton getting new president in July

After leading Carleton University for nine years, Roseann Runte is stepping down.

The school announced late Friday afternoon that its board of governors accepted Runte's resignation "with regret."

"Roseann Runte has provided exceptional and stable leadership to the Carleton University community," said board of governors chairperson Chris Carruthers in a statement. "Because of her leadership,

Carleton is stronger than ever and ready to achieve even greater heights in the future."

The statement said Runte was leaving to pursue an unspecified "new leadership opportunity."

Runte became the first female president in Carleton's history when she was appointed in 2008 after holding the top post at the Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va.. She was subsequently re-appointed to a second five-year



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Chris Carruthers

term at Carleton that will be cut short by her resignation, which takes effect July 31.

Several major construction projects were completed under Runte's watch, including the River and Canal academic buildings and a new student residence.

As Carleton president, Runte's influence extended into the business community through a seat on the board of Invest Ottawa alongside the leaders of the city's other major post-secondary institutions.

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# Jazz Fest '17 embraces eclecticism

## LIVE MUSIC

**Kenny Rogers and Feist will attend as event branches out**

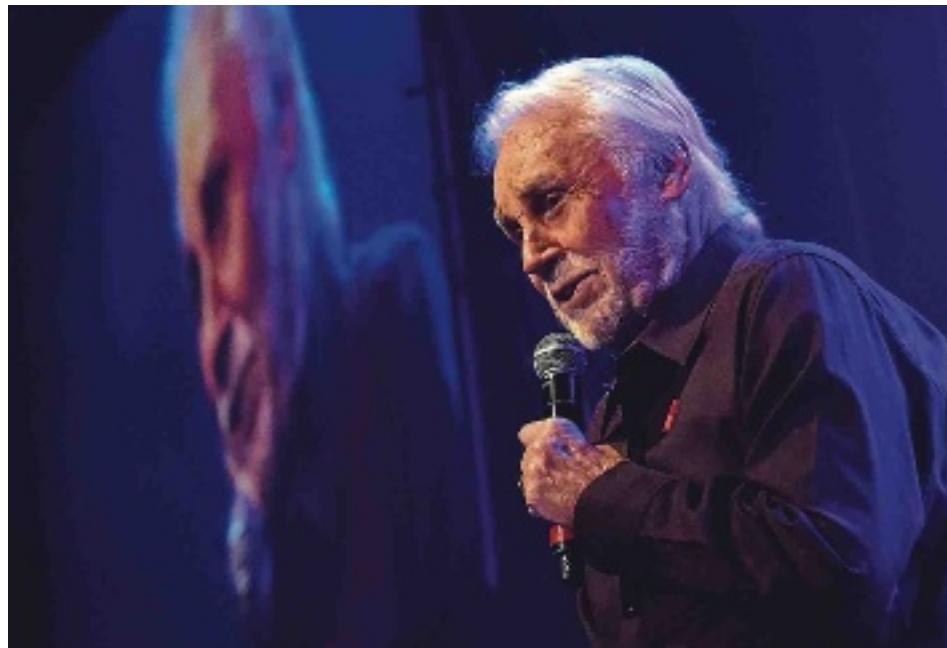
**Trevor Greenway**  
Metro | Ottawa

The Ottawa Jazz Festival seems to have rediscovered its character.

And despite facing several challenges — a floundering Canadian dollar, the pervasive emergence of today's playlist culture, critics who scowl at a mainstream pop artist helming a jazz festival — organizers have still managed to concoct a delectable bowl of sonic stew.

And they're stirring the pot with the likes of Feist, Charles Bradley, Maceo Parker, Serena Ryder and one final taste of country music star Kenny Rogers.

"I feel like we have gone back to a strong character," said Jazz Fest programming



**Kenny Rogers** may not seem like an immediate fit for a jazz festival but if you research the foundation of his music you will see why he was chosen to perform. GETTY IMAGES

director Petr Cancura. "I feel like, amongst not just us, but all festivals in the last 10 years have had to really find new ways, as subsidies have changed, or as different rev-

enues streams have changed. Everybody is sort of trying out different things. I feel like we have a loyal audience, and that audience really appreciates just quality good music.

That's what our characters is and that's what we are about."

Cancura said it used to bother him when festival naysayers and critics would argue whether a headliner

was worthy of a certain slot based on their so-called genre, but now he sees how obvious the connection is between an artist like St. Paul and the Broken Bones and, say, John Scofield. While he agrees that Kenny Rogers may not be considered a jazz artist, he says anyone arguing that his music has no foundational jazz roots hasn't heard much of his work.

"I've been asked before, 'Why is Kenny Rogers at a jazz festival?' But I honestly don't think it's a far stretch.

"Some one like Feist — she's a fantastic songwriter, and her roots are actually rootsy. She's not far off from somebody like Norah Jones, who is as jazz vocal as it gets."

But the fest has an incredibly deep jazz roster, which you'll quickly see once you look under the hood: John Scofield, John Medeski, Min-

nesota trio The Bad Plus, and London's volcanic trio Phronesis, just to name a few.

The fest is quite soulful, too, with greats like Maceo Parker, who will bring everything he has learned blowing the sax for the late James Brown and Prince. On top of Charles Bradley and his Extraordinaries — who some say can bring a man to tears with just a few notes — will perform and electro afrobeat whiz kid Pierre Kwenders.

See these shows, and you'll understand the connection they

all have to jazz. "All of those bands, especially the soul and r&b bands, they are packed with jazzers," Cancura said. "All of those guys on stage are jazz-trained musicians."

Jazz Fest runs June 22 through July 2 at Confederation Park and other venues across the city.

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Petr Cancura

## CULTURE

## JunoFest's imminent arrival music to the ears of Ottawans

Music fans in Ottawa will feel more like kids at Disneyland this weekend when JunoFest takes over the city.

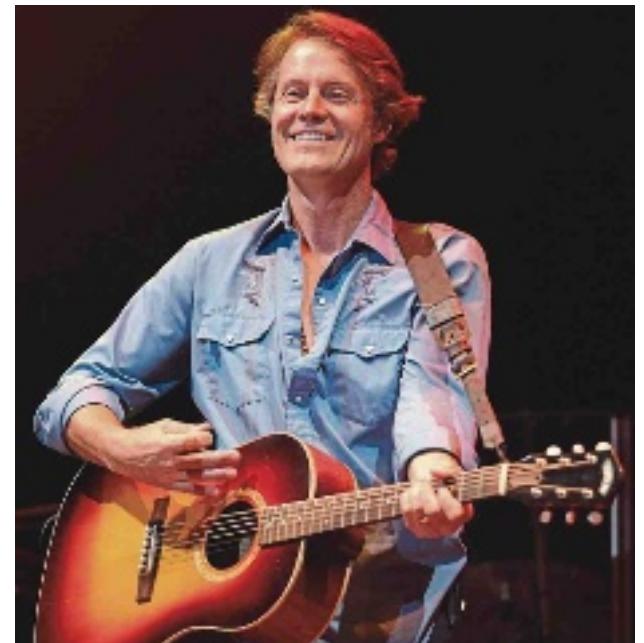
More than 100 bands, close to a third of them juno nominees, will play 21 different venues throughout the city from Thursday to Sunday this week — and with names like Jim Cuddy, Operators, New Swears, NQ Arbuckle and The Balconies providing the soundtrack, the biggest challenge will be prioritizing.

It all starts Thursday night when Dan Boeckner of Wolf Parade fame brings his sexy new electro-indie post punk trio Operators to Zaphod's for a sonic trip into the jitters abyss.

The fest continues Thursday and Friday with both local and regional bands warming up stages for bigger Canadian acts.

Ottawa's DJ Magnificent, Harea Band and the Split host an all-local showcase at Babylon Friday night, while Vancouver's Five Alarm Funk groove at Irene's Pub.

Saturday afternoon boasts a Classic Nominees' Showcase at Dominion-Chalmers United Church before the Stumbellas pump things up at The Bron-



**Jim Cuddy** will be one of 100 acts playing across the city from Thursday to Sunday at 21 different venues this weekend.

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son Centre Theatre.

Saturday night gets seriously loud with the likes of Ottawa blues kings MonkeyJunk at the Rainbow Bistro, Iconoclast at the Brass Monkey and Indigenous Music Album of

the Year nominees Sill + Rise jamming out on their unique blend of throat singing and electronics at Mercury Lounge.

So much music, so little time. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

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# Changing perceptions, one design at a time

TORONTO

**Student meshes modern design with Islamic culture**

**Gilbert Ngabo**  
Metro | Toronto

Long before megabrands like Nike and Uniqlo launched hijab and abaya lines, Shahad Mahdi knew it was cool to rock Muslim apparel.

But the fourth-year business management student at Ryerson University was always troubled by negative representation of Muslim people, especially with ever-growing Islamophobic views from some politicians and extremist groups.

"When you watch the news that has to do with Muslims and the Middle East, all you see is yelling and violence, and I don't think that's who we really are," she said, noting some people



**Shahad Mahdi, the owner of Black Orchid, a clothing and accessories line depicting the modern Muslim woman.** EDUARDO LIMA/METRO

just associate any Muslim with terrorism.

She's out to change that perception, one fashion design at a time.

Black Orchid, a pop culture brand she launched a year ago with the help of Ryerson Fashion Zone, makes and sells clothing and accessories combining modern design and Islamic culture.

Through an online portal, people can purchase different tops as well as pouches, chains and phone cases, all featuring stylish and colourful illustrations of modern Muslim women. She named her brand after a black orchid flower found in the Middle East.

With her images of progressive Muslim women, Mahdi

hopes to create a new narrative showing them as strong, creative and capable of being "fashionable and cool." She's received positive feedback, and is thinking of adding more products and expanding.

"All I wanted to do was focus on the positive and show our true colours, show that we can do cute stuff too," she said.

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## The queen of speed

**Autumn Fox**  
For Metro | Calgary

Calgary's Kelly Fedorowich has a need for speed.

By the end of this year, Fedorowich hopes not only to be the first licensed female competitive top fuel drag racer, but she's also going to become the fastest woman in Canada.

And fast is an understatement.

Fedorowich will be driving a souped up dragster that's fuelled by nitromethane – or 'rocket fuel,' as Fedorowich calls it.

The dragsters can hit top speeds of 530 km/h or more in fewer than four seconds – and just sitting in the vehicle as it clocks that top speed will make her the fastest woman in Canada.

It'll be a slow burn to get there. The fuel is expensive, so they'll be teasing out higher speeds throughout the season.

The dragster, is revved and ready to go though. Fedorowich got into racing through her husband, David, who had been driving in the fast lane since 18.

"Dave came into the relationship with the race car, but my relationship with that car was



**Kelly Fedorowich wants to be the fastest woman in Canada.**

AUTUMN FOX/FOR METRO

love at first sight," she laughed.

The family relocated to Calgary in 1994, putting their careers on hold to raise their son.

The itch to get back on the track grew and in 2011, Fedorowich, David and their now-grown son decided it was time to go all-in on a new venture together – Dark Side Racing. As of 2017, Dark Side is the only top fuel racing team in Western Canada, and one of only two teams left in the country.

Fedorowich began her top fuel training in 2016 and took a Zen-like approach to learning to pilot the vehicle, which can hit a G-force rate of seven while running a quarter mile.

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## CINCINNATI

## 1 dead, 15 injured in nightclub gunfight

A gunfight broke out inside a crowded Cincinnati nightclub early Sunday, leaving one man dead and 15 others wounded after a dispute among several patrons escalated into a shoot-out, authorities said.

No suspects were in custody by late afternoon in the shooting at the Cameo club, which has a history of gun violence, and police said there was no indication of any terrorism link.

Cincinnati Police Chief Eliot Isaac said one of the wounded was in "extremely critical condition," while a hospital

spokeswoman said two victims were listed in critical condition.

Police began receiving calls at 1:30 a.m. about gunshots at the club near the Ohio River east of downtown Cincinnati. Isaac said some 200 people were inside the club, one of the few hip-hop venues in the city, for music and dancing.

Isaac identified the dead man as 27-year-old O'Bryan Spikes, but provided no other details. He said 15 others were injured, with some already treated and released from hospitals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## CALIFORNIA

## Arrests made after scuffle at Trump rally

A scuffle broke out on a Southern California beach where supporters of President Donald Trump were marching when counter-protesters doused organizers with pepper spray, authorities said Saturday.

The violence erupted when the march of about 2,000 people at Bolsa Chica State Beach reached a group of about 30 counter-protesters, some of whom began spraying the irritant, said Capt. Kevin Pearsall of the California State Parks Police. Three people were arrested on suspicion of illegal use of pepper spray and a fourth person was arrested on suspicion of assault and battery, he said.

Two people suffered minor or injuries that didn't require medical attention, Pearsall said.

An anti-Trump protester who allegedly used the eye irritant was kicked and punched in the sand by a group of Trump supporters, according to a report in the LA Times.

Counter-protesters said before the march began that



Supporters of Trump scuffle with counter-protesters during a rally on March 25, in Huntington Beach, Calif.

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they planned to try to stop the march's progress with a "human wall."

Earlier this month, a rally in Berkeley, California, in support of Trump turned violent, and his supporters clashed with counter-protesters in several fights that led to the arrest of 10 people and left at least seven people injured.

Counter-protesters said before the march began that

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## EAST AFRICA

## Aid workers killed in South Sudan

Six aid workers were ambushed and killed in South Sudan, the deadliest attack on humanitarian workers since the East African nation's civil war began in 2013.

The attack took place Saturday on the road from Juba, the capital, to Pibor, where there have been recent reports of fighting, said Eugene Owusu, the top UN humanitarian official in South Sudan in a statement issued Sunday.

"At a time when humanitarian needs have reached unprecedented levels, it is entirely unacceptable that those who are trying to help are being attacked and

killed," said Owusu.

The ambush is the latest of several attacks on aid workers in South Sudan, which is one of the largest humanitarian crises in the world. At least 12 aid workers have been killed so far this year and 79 have been killed since civil war began in South Sudan in 2013, said the statement.

Famine has been declared in two counties in South Sudan where 1 million people are on the brink of starvation and there is also a cholera outbreak in parts of the country. But aid organizations responding to both famine and the cholera outbreak have

been attacked by armed forces, according to the UN. The ambush came the day that South Sudan's government declared a unilateral cease-fire and granted amnesty to armed groups who renounce violence.

South Sudan's government agreed to issue the ceasefire in response to pressure from East African countries during a regional summit in Nairobi.

The ceasefire and amnesty was immediately rejected by Mabior Garang, a spokesman for the opposition SPLM-IO party, who called it "silly" and a "non-starter." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### TRAVEL

#### Backlash against airline

Two teenage girls were barred from boarding a United Airlines flight Sunday because they were wearing leggings. The girls, whose ages were not specified, were not allowed onto the flight because they were travelling under an employee travel pass that includes a dress code, United spokesman Jonathan Guerin said. The airline's actions sparked a quick backlash on Twitter. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Police officers are seen with floral tributes to the victims of the March 22 terror attack in front of the Elizabeth Tower, more commonly referred to as 'Big Ben' in central London on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

# Attacker's encrypted message can't be read

## LONDON TERROR

## Controversy swirls over WhatsApp service

Westminster Bridge attacker Khalid Masood sent a WhatsApp message that cannot be accessed because it was encrypted by the popular messaging service, a top British security official said Sunday.

British press reports suggest Masood used the messaging service owned by Facebook just minutes before the Wednesday rampage that left three pedestrians and one police officer

dead and dozens more wounded.

As controversy swirled over the encrypted messages, police made another arrest in Birmingham, England, where Masood had lived. The 30-year-old was one of two men now in custody over possible links to the attack. Neither has been charged or publicly named.

Masood was shot dead on the grounds of Parliament.

Home Secretary Amber Rudd used appearances on BBC and Sky News to urge WhatsApp and other encrypted services to make their platforms accessible to intelligence services and police trying to carry out lawful eavesdropping.

Rudd did not provide any details about Masood's use of

WhatsApp, saying only "this terrorist sent a WhatsApp message and it can't be accessed."

But her call for a "back door" system to allow authorities to retrieve information is likely to meet resistance from the tech industry, which has faced previous law enforcement demands for access to data after major attacks.

In the United States, Apple fought the FBI's request for the passcodes needed to unlock an iPhone that had been used by one of the perpetrators in the 2015 extremist attack in San Bernardino, California.

The FBI initially claimed it could obtain the data only with Apple's help, but ultimately found another way to hack

into the locked phone.

Masood drove a rented SUV into pedestrians on Westminster Bridge before smashing it into Parliament's gates and rushing onto the grounds, where he fatally stabbed a policeman and was shot by other officers. A detailed police reconstruction has found the entire attack lasted 82 seconds.

Police are trying to pinpoint his motive and identify any possible accomplices, making the WhatsApp message a potential clue to his state of mind and his social media contacts.

Rudd said attacks would be easier to prevent if authorities could penetrate encrypted services after obtaining warrants. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Carefully plan your retirement: Expert

## FINANCES

**Planner says to consult family about future care options**

There's the retirement that looks like the commercials: biking, travel, enjoying the family.

And then there's the one where you can't get up the stairs anymore.

Most of us happily plan for the first, when our health is good and energy high. The second can be hard to contemplate, when health falters and medical crises can change lives.

Certified financial planner Dana Anspach of Scottsdale, Arizona, doesn't want clients to prematurely give up their homes or make other moves that may not suit them. One couple she advised moved into a continuing care community in their 80s and moved back out again a year later because they couldn't entertain or decorate the way they wanted. Anspach



**Experts warn clients planning for their futures to not leverage home equity for retirement purposes, saying it harm your finances long term.** ISTOCK

also has heard horror stories of elders who stayed too long in unsafe conditions until they had health crises.

The key, planners say, is to start thinking and talking about how you want to cope when your health begins to fail.

Anspach advises clients who don't have long-term care insurance or family members willing to provide care to save their home equity for expenses,

rather than using it to boost their retirement income.

If parents expect children to help, Anspach says, they need to make sure the kids are on board and that those kids' lives are stable enough to provide care if the parents move closer.

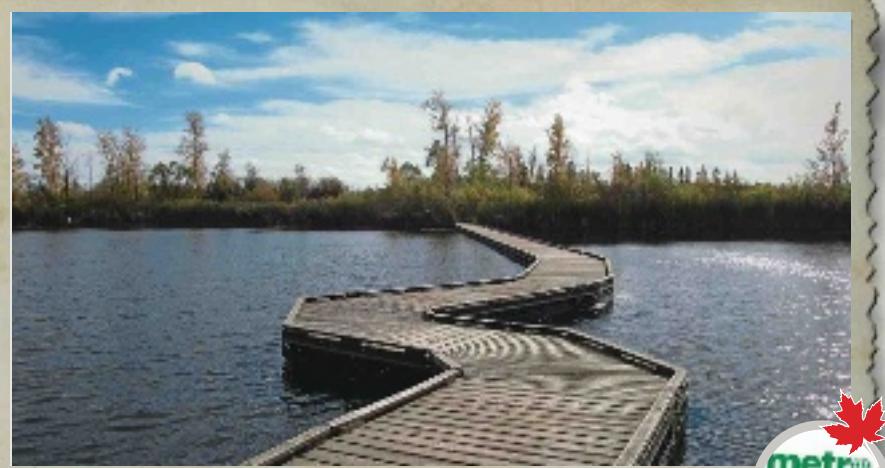
"You don't want to move across the country and have them get transferred somewhere else," Anspach says.

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**VICKY MOCHAMA**

It is the disaster we don't want to talk about.

Twenty million people are on the brink of starvation. The United Nations and its various agencies — the World Food Programme and the United Nations Secretariat, to name two — have sounded the alarm. This is the largest humanitarian crisis since the creation of the United Nations in 1945.

In an interview with Metro in January, Joanne Liu, president of the global aid organization Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders), told a story about visiting famine-ravaged northern Nigeria. Liu sensed something off in one community and then realized, sickeningly, that there were hardly any children under five still living.

By inaction and indifference, we are losing whole generations. The people who survive this moment will have little reason to believe in "Never again," a promise made often by the international community after the Rwandan genocide in 1994.

To staunch mass catastrophe in South Sudan, Somalia, Nigeria and Yemen, the international community needs to come up with \$4.4 billion by July. They've pledged only a small fraction.

Canada has pledged nearly \$120 million, less than three per cent of the total request. Had Canada followed through on its vow from the Millennium Development Goals to adopt an aid target of 0.7 percent of its gross national income, we would be giving more than \$10 billion globally. More than enough to solve this crisis, and then some.

In 2015, Trudeau told delegates at a climate summit in Paris that "Canada is back." In 2017, why not lead Canada and the world in feeding a starving and desperate population?

The UN's request could be filled within minutes by the wealthiest governments in the world, including Canada. At the highest levels of power, the political will simply isn't

## FOCUS ON FAMINE

### CANADA MUST LEAD THE FIGHT

**Twenty million people are on the brink of starvation. The UN is asking for \$4.4 billion by July to avert a global catastrophe. While Canada's donated millions, it's not nearly enough.**



**NIGERIA** A malnourished child receives health care at a feeding centre run by Doctors Without Borders in Maiduguri.

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**SOMALIA** Sacdiyo Mohamed, nine months old, is treated at a hospital after her mother Halima Hassan Mohamed fled the drought in southern Somalia for Mogadishu. MOHAMED SHEIKH NOR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



**YEMEN** A boy receives treatment at a feeding centre in the capital Sanaa. The conflict in Yemen has worsened food insecurity in the country, which was already considered one of the poorest in the world. GETTY IMAGES



**SOUTH SUDAN** Ayei Wier saw the signs of famine back in 2015 when she watched her baby Malou suffer from hunger. WORLD VISION CANADA/CNW GROUP

there to make the moral choice. The UN's emergency relief co-ordinator Stephen O'Brien says, "Allowing famine to unfold is a choice; we must make the choice to stop it."

When the decision is made to step up, it will be too late for too many. In 2011, by the time a famine had officially been declared in Somalia, tens of thousands had already died. For many families and communities today, the disaster has already struck.

Governments are slowly stepping up, but rather than waiting, citizens are already doing their part.

A group of five American friends set up a GoFundMe page called the Love Army for Somalia and asked Turkish Airlines to be their flight partner. In less than a week, more than 80,000 people donated \$2.2 million. The campaign is funnelling the money to NGOs in Somalia to buy local food, rather than crash the market with foreign goods. As for the plane, they are using it to fly in specialized food for undernourished babies.

Theirs may be a dramatic example, but it is not the only effort. Somalis, Yemenis, Nigerians and Sudanese people in Canada have been doing

their best to support family, friends and communities, but they can't do it alone.

Canadians often claim a particular kindness and generosity, yet all too often that spirit seems to disappear when the needy are black and African. It is made complicated when they are Arab. But there are black, African and Arab Canadians too. Their communities are ours too.

It is their cultures that enrich this country; their children who will help lead it. We must support their efforts.

Twenty million people need to eat. How will we serve them?

### DAY 1: CANADA'S ROLE

#### BY THE NUMBERS

**20 million**

People facing famine in South Sudan, Somalia, Nigeria and Yemen. That's more than half the population of Canada.

**1.4 million**

Number of children facing death from severe malnutrition

Amount needed by July to prevent tragedy

**\$119 million**

Amount pledged by Canada for the crisis. Canada donated \$100 million for humanitarian assistance in the four countries last year

SOURCE: UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD PROGRAM

**\$4.4 billion**

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

#### Doctors Without Borders:

The charity has projects in the countries affected by famine, providing medical and humanitarian assistance. You can donate via [msf.ca](http://msf.ca)

#### Save The Children:

The charity operates children support programs in the four countries affected. You can donate to them through [savethechildren.ca](http://savethechildren.ca)

#### CARE Canada:

The organization runs poverty-reduction efforts in Somalia, Yemen and South Sudan. You can donate through their website [care.ca](http://care.ca)

#### OXFAM Canada:

The charity provides emergency and long-term assistance to people in countries affected by the ongoing famine. You can donate at [oxfam.ca](http://oxfam.ca)

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# Copeland shares dancers' wisdom

BOOKS

## Ballerina writes about discipline, body acceptance

Misty Copeland is not only one of the most famous ballerinas in the world — and the first black female principal dancer at American Ballet Theatre — but she has crossed over into mainstream pop culture fame like no other.

Her bestselling book, *Life in Motion*, was a memoir, but in her new book she seeks to impart some of the wisdom that helped her along the way. She includes detailed exercises — classic ballet moves, starting on the floor — and also meal plans and favourite recipes.

On a recent morning, Copeland sat down for an interview. Her remarks were edited for length and clarity.

### WHY THE NEW BOOK?

"Every woman struggles with their body at some point, especially as a dancer. (Also) I've been approached about what I eat, what other forms of exercise I do outside of class. How do I mentally and emotionally stay strong in a field like this? So I felt like I needed to write about this ... also just debunking these awful stereotypes attributed to ballerinas, having eating disorders and not really being athletes. We work just as hard as athletes, if not harder,

because we are also actresses and actors onstage. We're not competing to win, but we're competing to be ourselves, our best selves. Everyone can benefit from that kind of structure in their lives."

### ON BODY IMAGE

"I never felt beautiful. In school I was really short and really thin and I had really big feet and this tiny little head, and long arms and really big hands, and felt like, this isn't what society views as beautiful. And it wasn't until I stepped into ballet class that it was like, 'Wow, you have the perfect balance and physique for ballet.' And so I became used to that. And then I went through puberty and my body changed. It's not talked about really openly, but every dancer goes through ups and downs in terms of being out of shape. We need to treat our bodies like an instrument, and that's a huge part of it, just finding a balance and not depriving yourself."

### ON THE RIGHT MINDSET

"I think it's important to feel comfortable with who you are, no matter where you're starting from. The mental discipline is so much a part of it, feeling strong, feeling in control. And just focusing on the journey and feeling good about yourself. I want this book to be for everyone... for someone who has never taken a dance class, for the mom or the college student."

### COMING TO TERMS WITH FOOD

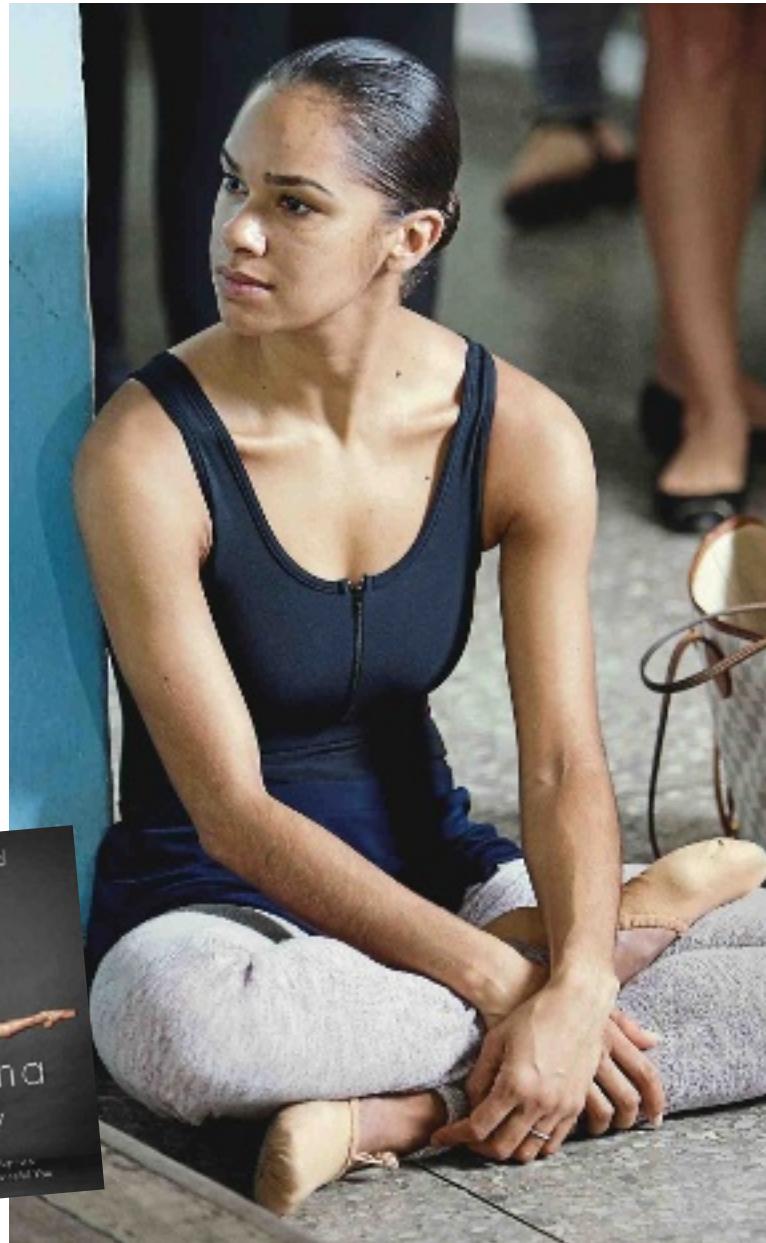
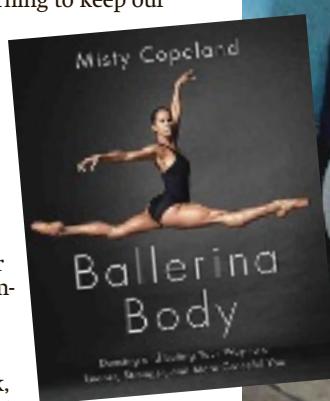
"We all have a difficult relationship with food. Especially in America where we have so much access to quantity. We were on food stamps for most of my childhood, so we were finding food to eat to survive, it wasn't about the best and healthiest food. So when I became a dancer, I pretty much was eating whatever I wanted. Once my body changed, that's when I really started to evaluate what I was putting into my body. I cut out meat six or seven years ago."

### WHAT'S A BALLERINA'S TYPICAL DAY?

"We're in class at 10:15. An hour and a half every morning. Even if we're not in rehearsals, we still take class every morning to keep our instrument fine-tuned. Rehearsals start at noon. We usually go straight through from noon to 7. And that's during rehearsal period. During our biggest performance period, spring season, we're working six days a week, until 11 at night."

It's a lot; people don't really realize it when they just see this beautiful product onstage.

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Misty Copeland, the first black female principal dancer at American Ballet Theatre, has crossed over into mainstream pop culture fame.

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# A Barbie world for girls and boys



## TOYS

## Mattel trying to reach kids on phones, laptops, TVs

Mattel is looking to the movies. The maker of Barbie and Hot Wheels, which has live-action films based on those toys in the works, says it wants to find new ways to be on more screens in front of more kids.

These days, that takes more than a 30-second commercial.

Big-screen movies are a first for 72-year-old Mattel, which has mostly relied on television ads, apps and straight-to-DVD movies to promote its toys. It launched a separate unit last year to help produce films, TV shows and other content with studio partners.

The Barbie movie hit a snag last week when comedian Amy Schumer dropped out of the starring role citing scheduling conflicts. The film is being made with Sony and it's expected to be released next year.

A Hot Wheels film is also in development.

Mattel will also be on TV starting April 7 on ABC, showing its search for the next big toy idea in a competition show called The Toy Box.

Chief Operating Officer Richard Dickson says Mattel is making the winning toy now, and it will go on sale at Toys R Us stores after the series ends May 19.

Other changes Mattel has made include new body shapes, hair types and skin colours for Barbie, and the American Girl brand's first boy doll.

Dickson spoke recently about how Mattel is trying to bring new life to its classic toys.

Questions and answers

**Historically, we never addressed the cultural pushback that we always had with people criticizing Barbie's body**

Richard Dickson, president of Mattel on beauty standards



**Richard Dickson, president and chief operating officer, says Mattel, the maker of Barbie and Hot Wheels, is trying to bring new life to its classic toys through live-action films.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

have been edited for clarity and length.

### Why the focus on movies and TV shows?

Kids today can obviously skip commercials. And screen time today is not one screen, it's multiple screens. Our objective is to be everywhere our consumers are. They are on their phone. They are on their laptop. They're on their iPad. They're on their television. There is no centre.

### What's the Barbie movie about?

I can't get into a lot of detail

as to what the story will be, but I can tell you what it is. It is live action. It is going to be a story that continues to celebrate the idea that girls can be anything. I think the way that we narrate that story will be entertaining for girls of all ages. And I also think it will be, hopefully, appealing to some boys also.

### With Amy Schumer out of the Barbie movie, is there a search for someone else? What are you looking for? Another comedian?

We have a list of people who are interesting and interested.

We look forward to working with Sony to bring the vision of the character and the story to life.

### Why the changes to Barbie's body shape last year?

Historically, we never addressed the cultural pushback that we always had with people criticizing Barbie's body. And we sort of justified it by saying it's a toy and it's not a real human and we sort of moved on. And one of the things that we've done, to reintroduce the brand as relevant, is to listen to the consumer and start to have a

dialogue with her instead of a monologue.

### In 2015, a Barbie ad featured a boy for the first time. Why the attention to boys?

We know for a fact that a lot of boys play with Barbie and it hasn't been something that we've acknowledged. In many cases it is a boy playing out a Barbie world with his sister. And then there are boys who actually drive the play themselves. We are pretty pronounced with boys, we just never really expressed it in marketing.

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## SURVEY

### Optimism comes to those who age

A new survey suggests many pessimistic feelings held by people earlier in life take an optimistic turn as they move toward old age. Even hallmark concerns of old age — about declining health, lack of independence and memory loss — lessen as Americans age. Among people in their 30s, 46 per cent described themselves as mostly or somewhat optimistic about aging, compared with 66 per cent of people 70 and older. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## TREATMENT

### U.S. OKs new drug as add-on for Parkinson's

U.S. regulators have approved the first new drug in a decade for Parkinson's disease, a neurological disorder that causes tremors and movement difficulties. The Food and Drug Administration says it has approved Xadago for use when a patient's regular medicines aren't working well. According to the FDA, adding Xadago to levodopa decreased symptoms such as involuntary muscle movement.

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### FDA

#### Rare cancer linked to breast implants

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration says it has received reports of 9 deaths and more than 350 cases of a rare blood cancer linked to breast implants. The World Health Organization concluded years ago this type of lymphoma can develop following breast implants. The disease seems to occur more often with textured implants in the scar tissue near the implant and is associated with pain and swelling. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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# Homan rink dominant at world championship

## CURLING

### Canada wins all 13 of its matches en route to gold

Canada's Rachel Homan knew there would be pressure heading into the final of the 2017 world women's curling championship.

Not only was Homan trying to erase past personal disappointments in her third appearance at the championship, but her Ottawa rink was being counted on to erase Canada's lengthy title drought. The fact that Homan advanced to the final without dropping a match only heightened expectations.

Homan and her teammates — vice-skip Emma Miskew, second Joanne Courtney and lead Lisa Weagle — responded with a textbook 8-3 win over Russia's Anna Sidorova in Sunday's final, giving Canada its first women's world championship in nine years and adding more steam to Homan's momentum heading into this year's Olympic

trials.

Scotland's Eve Muirhead captured the bronze medal, beating Sweden 6-4 earlier Sunday.

After an open first end, Canada put the pressure on Russia with two points in the second end and a steal of one in the third before cruising to a comfortable victory.

"We made sure to keep together and obviously there's a lot more pressure in that final," Homan said. "We've lost that one and it's tough, and we wanted to make sure we were doing exactly what we were doing all week, because we knew that would lead us to the win."

"Some tough breaks by their team cost them a few points but other than that we had a strong game. I'm really proud of my team."

Homan's undefeated run in Beijing — Canada won all 13 of its matches — came on the heels of her 12-2 run to the Canadian women's title last month in St. Catharines, Ont.

"We've had an incredible second half of the season, and to top it off this way feels amazing," Weagle said.

"It feels amazing for Canada. We haven't won it in quite a

**No matter who represents us (at Olympic) trials are going to be tough.**

Rachel Homan on the Roar of the Rings Olympic qualifying tournament, Dec. 2-10 in Ottawa



Lisa Weagle, left, Joanne Courtney, Emma Miskew and Rachel Homan accept the championship trophy after defeating Russia on Sunday in Beijing. ANDY WONG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

while so we're very proud of ourselves and we're so grateful for the support we've received.

"For sure there were butterflies but we get excited when we get nerves like that."

Canada's last championship came in 2008, when Jennifer Jones was victorious in Vernon, B.C. Homan had two previous attempts to break Canada's drought but settled for bronze in 2013 in Riga, Latvia, and

silver the next year in Saint John, N.B.

"We've come up short and it never feels good to come up short when you're representing Canada," Homan said.

"We really wanted to bring back gold for Canada this time. It's been a bit of a drought and we wanted to make a statement going into the Olympic year."

Sidorova has now lead Russia to four straight medals, though

this was the country's first appearance in the final. Russia finished third in the previous three tournaments.

"It's always tough when you lose, especially when it's the final but you know what, it's history for my country," Sidorova said. "It's a pity we didn't play well today ... but it was a great experience for us, especially heading into the Olympic Games." THE CANADIAN PRESS

## GOLF

### Johnson caps sweep of WGC tourneys



Dustin Johnson reacts after winning the Dell Technologies Match Play on Sunday.

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Dustin Johnson became the first player to sweep the World Golf Championships with a dominant week that included more drama than he needed in the Dell Technologies Match Play.

Johnson escaped a furious charge by Jon Rahm when the 22-year-old Spaniard failed to birdie the 18th hole.

Johnson's 1-up victory capped a week in which he never trailed in any of his seven matches, and he led in 105 of the 112 holes he played. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## IN BRIEF



**He likes to hear himself talk.**

Sidney Crosby's response to Sens owner Eugene Melnyk calling him "a whiner beyond belief" after Crosby broke defenceman Marc Methot's finger with a slash Thursday.

## FORMULA ONE

### Vettel and Ferrari knock off Mercedes

Sebastian Vettel broke Ferrari's Formula One drought with a victory over the Mercedes team of Lewis Hamilton and Valtteri Bottas on Sunday at the season-opening Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne.

Ferrari hadn't won an F1 GP since Vettel's victory in Singapore in 2015, and so his leap up onto the top of the podium at the finish in Australia signalled renewed confidence from him and perhaps an end to the domination Mercedes has forged in

## DUD IN DEBUT

Canadian teenager Lance Stroll didn't make it to the finish in his debut for Williams, retiring after an eventful 40 laps around the Albert Park circuit.

recent seasons.

Vettel finished almost 10 seconds clear of Hamilton.

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## NCAA TOURNAMENT

### Maye Day at March Madness

Luke Maye hit a jumper with 0.3 seconds left, and top-seeded North Carolina held off Kentucky 75-73 to earn the Tar Heels' second straight trip to the Final Four and 20th all-time in Sunday's showdown of college basketball's elite in the South Regional.

The Tar Heels (31-7) will play Midwest champ Oregon on Saturday in Glendale, Ariz., in the national semifinal.

North Carolina took control with a 12-0 run within the final five minutes. Kentucky's freshmen De'Aaron Fox and Malik Monk hit three quick threes, the last two by Monk and his second with 7.2 seconds left tied it up at 73.

## SUNDAY In Memphis

**75** **73**  
UNC KENTUCKY

Theo Pinson brought the ball down, passed back to Maye. The sophomore knocked it down for the win with his feet on the three-point line.

The Wildcats had one last chance, but Derek Willis's in-bound pass went out of bounds on the far end.

Kentucky (32-6) will miss out on the Final Four for the second straight year.

Earlier Sunday in New York, South Carolina earned its first trip to the Final Four with a 77-70 victory over Florida.

South Carolina will face Gonzaga on Saturday.

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North Carolina's Luke Maye, centre, celebrates with teammates after making the game-winning basket.

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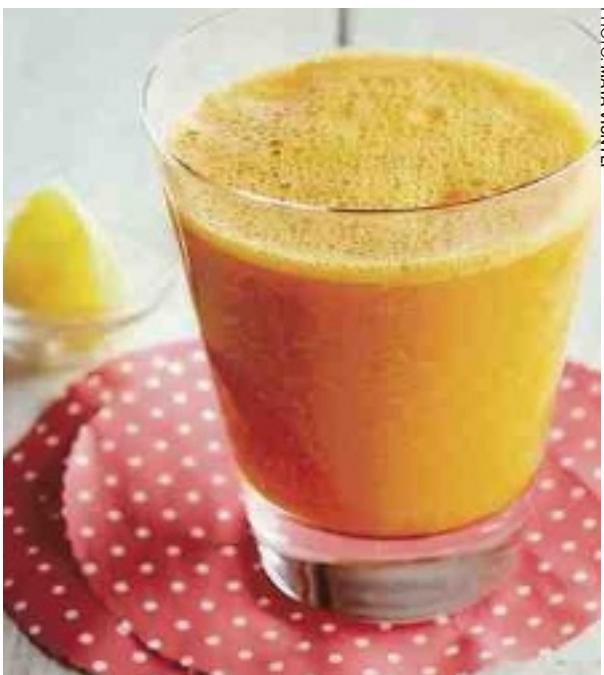


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- 1 cup carrot juice
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Place all your ingredients in the blender and give it a good whiz.

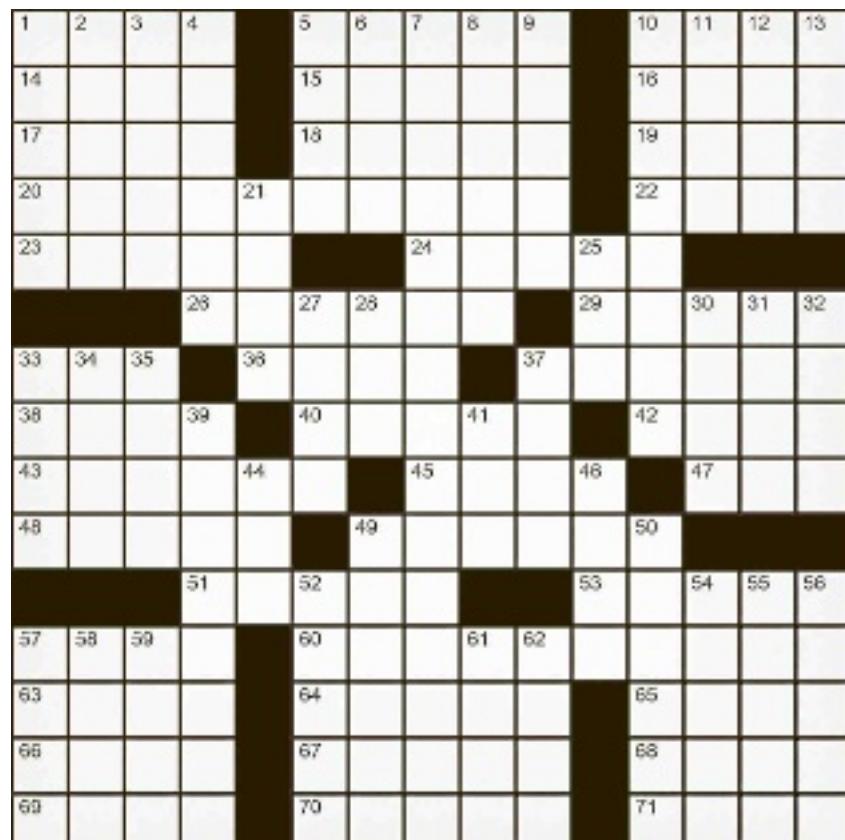
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petition show  
11. Candid  
12. Origin  
13. Cornerstone word  
21. Singer/actress Aubrey  
25. " \_\_ Believer" by The Monkees  
27. Safecracker  
28. Quebec 'wheat'  
30. Not ruffled  
31. Sleuth's lead  
32. Mine entrance  
33. Caesar's 2501  
34. Washstand vessel  
35. Home free  
37. Dill or mint  
39. As per #60-Across... Red Green's gig  
41. Shed many tears  
44. Born, in a wedding announcement  
46. Families  
49. 'Snappy' words in football...  
50. Steamed-in-corn-husks dish  
52. Early platform for PCs  
54. Monster lizards  
55. 'Tempt' suffix  
56. Foo Fighters tune: "Times Like \_\_"  
57. VP Mike Pence, et al.  
58. Leave  
59. The Dalai \_\_  
61. " \_\_ vidi, vici"  
62. Earth goddess in Richard Wagner's opera Das Rheingold

57. Count on  
60. Toronto-born portrayer of the title character of "The Red Green Show": 2 wds.  
45. \_\_ in the road  
47. Sanction  
48. "Me, Myself & \_\_" (2000)  
49. The \_\_ = Bilbo Baggins  
51. Balk/hesitate  
53. Engage in hen-pecking: 2 wds.

\_\_ (True)  
66. Cotton variety  
67. Make hair stand \_\_  
68. Thailand neighbour  
69. Eminem tune  
70. Opera \_\_ (Opera style that's serious)  
71. Anglo-Sax-

on toiler  
**DOWN**  
1. RBIs, e.g.  
2. Illuminator  
3. "If \_\_ Falls" by Bruce Cockburn  
4. Less loaded  
5. TV news hour, \_\_-clock pm

6. Grannies, in Germany  
7. 2002 Red Green movie comedy starring #60-Across: 3 wds.  
8. Sailor's 'backward'  
9. "Love \_\_" (1970)  
10. "MasterChef Canada" = \_\_ com-

## \* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
Because you feel sensitive to others today, you might use your money or something that you own to help someone. (Meanwhile, being kind will make you feel happy!)

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
You feel inspired to be the best that you can be today. You also know that being the best means benefiting others as well as yourself.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
You will put the needs of someone else before your own because it makes you feel good. It's just one of those things; you want to take the high road.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
If you are in competition with others today, you won't be too fierce, but you won't be a wimp, either. You want what is best for the greatest number of people.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
If you are talking to parents and bosses today, you will show them ways that work out best for everyone. It's quite likely that they will be impressed with your insight.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
You might want to study religion, yoga or meditation today, because you are interested in something "different." You want to expand your experience of life.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
You will be reasonable if dealing with an inheritance or if deciding how to share something today. You understand that good business is mutually beneficial.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
If you can help a partner or close friend today, you will. In fact, you are even willing to compromise with a person who is an enemy or a frenemy. (That's the toughest!)

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
You will find it rewarding to help someone at work today, and because you extended this person a helping hand, you will feel good about yourself. Life works that way.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
If you can help children today, you will get great satisfaction in doing so. Playful activities, social outings and sports events will be pleasant.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
You want to help a family member today, especially because there's been chaos and activity at home. Someone will appreciate your offer to help. Family is gold.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
You can influence others today by setting a great example for them. Your ability to be caring and positive will be noticed by others.

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